

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF WORLD WAR II VETERANS LT. LARRY CRANDELL, COL. JAMES PATILLO, STAFF SGT. JACK PATTERSON AND LT. BOB SCOTT

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize World War II Veterans Lt. Larry Crandell, Col. James Patillo, Staff Sgt. Jack Patterson and Lt. Bob Scott from the 24th Congressional District.

Last week, these veterans were recognized for their service to our country at the luncheon and symposium "70 Years On . . . Celebrating the 'Bomber Boys' of World War II" presented in collaboration by the Pierre Claeysens Veterans Museum and the Channel City Club & Committee on Foreign Relations in Santa Barbara, California.

The stories these men shared at this event are an important contribution to our country's rich oral history and will serve to edify younger generations in our local community and across the nation. Their narratives are critical in creating a bond of gratitude and respect between the Greatest Generation and its descendants.

I join my Central Coast neighbors and colleagues in recognizing these exemplary individuals. These men and their stories of service are esteemed and cherished by the members of our community.

I extend my deepest gratitude to them for their willingness to share their experiences and for their service and sacrifice on behalf of our country.

CYBER INTELLIGENCE SHARING AND PROTECTION ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 17, 2013

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 624) to provide for the sharing of certain cyber threat intelligence and cyber threat information between the intelligence community and cybersecurity entities, and for other purposes:

Mrs. LOWEY. Madam Chair, I rise in reluctant opposition to the bill. It is imperative that Congress take substantial action to bolster cybersecurity. The last major cyber bill to become law was the Federal Information Security Management Act in 2002, which was generations ago in the technology realm.

I would very much like to support legislation that would bolster our defenses and improve information sharing. But CISPA falls short of taking the necessary steps to protect our computer and communications networks.

Public and private sector networks are constantly bombarded by cyber attacks. Instead of

compelling those administering critical infrastructure to share information that would mitigate the consequences of those attacks, the bill sets up a voluntary framework that provides liability protections regardless of whether or not a business or operator of critical infrastructure provides the government with any information. I cannot support a bill that provides immunity to those who fail to take reasonable measures to protect networks.

Additionally, the bill does not require the private sector to remove irrelevant personal information before sharing information with the government and between private businesses. Government agencies receiving information from the private sector should not be given personally identifiable information that is of no security value. Yet, amendments to prevent this practice, which raises serious privacy concerns, were defeated in committee and prevented from being offered on the House floor.

In February, President Obama issued an executive order expanding information-sharing from the Department of Homeland Security and Department of Justice to private sector operators of critical infrastructure. It is important that Congress take action to expand upon the executive order to better protect our networks. Unfortunately, CISPA would not adequately protect our cyber networks, and privacy concerns remain in this legislation.

I look forward to working with my colleagues to advance improved cybersecurity legislation.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF NIKOLAS WOLFORD ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Nikolas Wolford of Van Wert, Ohio has accepted an offer of appointment to the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York.

Nikolas' offer of appointment poises him to attend the United States Military Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2017. Attending one of our Nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country but also guarantees a world-class education, while placing demands on those who undertake one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Nikolas brings an enormous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2017. While attending Van Wert High School in Van Wert, Ohio, Nikolas was on the Honor Roll and earned Academic Letters and Scholar Athlete awards each of his 4 years.

Throughout high school, Nikolas was a member of his school's football and basketball

teams and earned varsity letters in both sports. He was also captain of the football team his senior year. In addition, Nikolas was a member of the German Club, Beta Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. I am confident that Nikolas will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Military Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Nikolas Wolford on the acceptance of his appointment to the United States Military Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Nikolas will excel during his career at the Military Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to the Nation.

HONORING JUDITH FRAZIER-THOMPSON

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the long and influential career of Judith Frazier-Thompson as she retires after 45 years of Federal service, with 40 of them years spent at the Congressional Research Service.

Judith was born and raised in Washington, D.C., and graduated from Eastern High School in 1967. While in high school, she began her service to the local government working part-time for the District of Columbia Recreation Department. While an undergraduate at Howard University, Judith worked part-time for the Library of Congress, variously as an order clerk, deck attendant and issue desk assistant. During that time she met and came to know the author Alex Haley, who frequently used the Library of Congress for research. After graduating from Howard University in 1973, she accepted a full-time position working for the Congressional Research Service, where she has worked ever since. Judith began pursuing a Masters Degree from the University of Maryland at College Park while rising through the ranks at the Library of Congress, where she was accepted into the CRS Crossover Program.

During her tenure in the Congressional Research Service, Judith has worked closely with the House of Representatives, assisting Members and staff with all manner of tasks. She has worked on the Government and Law Team of the Congressional Research Division, helping various organizations perform research on such issues as voting rights, and campaign finance reform. Through her years of dedication, Judith has been recognized for her work with many awards, including numerous Library of Congress Special Achievement Awards, and a Congressional Research Employees Association Presidential Certificate of Merit.

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